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SUBJECT: PEKING OPERA PERFORMER LI CHIN TANG

- 1. LI CHIN TANG, A WELL-KNOWN PERFORMER OF PEKING OPERA NOW ATTACHED TO THE COMBINED SERVICES OPERA TROUPE, HAS APPLIED FOR A VISA TO ACT AS AN ADVISOR TO A PEKING OPERA PERFORMANCE SPONSORED BY THE TONG HUA BENEVOLENT SOCIETY TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 15-16 AT THE VETERANS' MEMORIAL HALL IN SAN FRANCISCO.
- 2. AS FAR AS WE ARE AWARE, LI'S VISIT TO THE U.S. IS FOR PURELY ARTISTIC REASONS AND WOULD HAVE NO POLITICAL CONNOTATON. HOWEVER, GIVEN THE COINCIDENCE OF HIS PRESENCE IN SAN FRANCISCO DURING THE TIME OF THE PRC ARCHEOLOGICAL EXHIBIT THERE, WE WISH TO BRING HIS VISA APPLICATION TO YOUR ATTENTION.
- 3. UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT HAS SOME OBJECTION, WE PLAN TO ISSUE MR. LI A VISA ON JULY 29. UNGER

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